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SUBJECT: DOMINICAN FUGITIVES BALBI AND GONZALEZ EXTRADITED
TO THE U.S.

¶1. On July 12, 2006, U.S. Marshals returned Pedro Antonio Balbi to the United States for trial in the District Court for Passaic County, New Jersey, where he is the subject of indictment number 05-08-1167(I), filed August 18, 2005. As detailed in the indictment, Balbi is alleged to have been the leader of a criminal enterprise in which several individuals maintained, packaged, stored, and delivered illegal narcotics.

¶2. On July 20, 2006, U.S. Marshals returned Yisbert Manuel Gonzalez Lara (aka Armando Morales) to the United States for trial in the Superior Court of Suffolk County, Massachusetts, based on indictment number SUCR2004-11065, filed on December 10, 2004. The indictment charges Gonzalez with murder in the first degree.

¶3. Both subjects made voluntary and knowing waivers of their right to an extradition hearing before the Criminal Chamber of the Dominican Supreme Court.

¶3. The return of Gonzalez marks the 15th extradition during this calendar year (25 for FY-2006, 144 since 1988).
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